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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Ikuo URATANI et al.
Serial No.: 10/769,784
Filed: February 3, 2004
For: DISK ARRAY APPARATUS, AND METHOD FOR
CONTROLLING THE SAME
Group: 2188
Examiner: M. Padmanabhan

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

June 16, 2005

Sir:

Before examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified
application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks are included following the amendments.